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I was born in the congo
 I walked to the fertile crescent and built
 the sphinx
 I designed a pyramid so tough that a star
 that only glows every one hundred years falls
 into the center giving divine perfect light
 I am bad

I sat on the throne
 drinking nectar with allah
 I got hot and sent an ice age to europe
 to cool my thirst

My oldest daughter is nefertiti
 the tears from my birth pains
 created the Nile
 I am a beautiful woman

I gazed on the forest and burned
 out the sahara desert
 with a packet of goat's meat
 and a change of clothes
 I crossed it in two hours
 I am a gazelle so swift
 so swift you can't catch me

For a birthday present when he was three
 I gave my son hannibal an elephant
 He gave me rome for mother's day
 My strength flows ever on

My son noah built new/ark and
 I stood proudly at the helm
 as we sailed on a soft summer day
 I turned myself into myself and was
 jesus
 men intone my loving name
 All praises All praises
 I am the one who would save

I sowed diamonds in my back yard
 My bowels deliver uranium
 the filings from my fingernails are
 semi-precious jewels
 On a trip north
 I caught a cold and blew
 My nose giving oil to the arab world
 I am so hip even my errors are correct
 I sailed west to reach east and had to round off
 the earth as I went
 The hair from my head thinned and gold was
 laid
 across three continents

I am so perfect so divine so ethereal so surreal
 I cannot be comprehended except by my
 permission

I mean...I...can fly
 like a bird in the sky...

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